

Proclamation

The first Puerto Ricans arrived to our islands in the early 1900s as contracted laborers, and have been part of Hawai`i's history for more than a century. Nearly one-third of Hawai`i's Hispanic population is of Puerto Rican descent.

The Hispanic Center of Hawai`i, along with Latin Lady DJ Margarita!, founder & Co-Chair of this event, and internationally known Latin promoter, Albert Torres Productions; Los Angeles, will sponsor the sixth annual Puerto Rican Hawai`i Salsathon. The annual celebration honors this proud heritage and their Sister City – San Juan, Puerto Rico.

The annual Puerto Rican Hawai`i Salsathon Festival will be celebrated on June 17th and 18th at Ala Moana Beach Park's McCoy Pavilion. This celebration will provide lots of traditional music, food, youth activities, salsa dance workshops and competitions and health related services for the Hispanic community.

THEREFORE, I, LINDA LINGLE, Governor of the State of Hawai`i, and **I, JAMES R. "DUKE" AIONA, JR.**, Lieutenant Governor, do hereby proclaim **June 17 and 18, 2006**, as

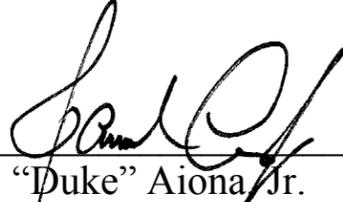
6TH ANNUAL PUERTO RICAN HAWAI`I SALSATHON DAYS

in Hawai`i, and encourage our citizens to recognize the importance of this special celebration.

DONE at the State Capitol, in the Executive Chambers, Honolulu, State of Hawai`i, this fourteenth day of June 2006.



Linda Lingle
Governor, State of Hawai`i



James R. "Duke" Aiona Jr.
Lieutenant Governor, State of Hawai`i